

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

In the matter of the adoption of New)
Rule I pertaining to Wolf Management)
Stamps)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO: All Concerned Persons

1. On June 26, 2014, the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (department) published MAR Notice No. 12-437 pertaining to the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule at page 1318 of the 2014 Montana Administrative Register, Issue Number 12.

2. The notice of proposed agency action is amended as follows because the required number of persons has requested a public hearing.

3. On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Headquarters, 1420 East 6th Avenue, Helena, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 1 Office, 490 North Meridian Road, Kalispell, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 2 Office, 3201 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 3 Office, 1400 South 19th Avenue, Bozeman, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 4 Office, 4600 Giant Springs Road, Great Falls, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 5 Office, 2300 Lake Elmo Drive, Billings, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 6 Office, 54078 US Highway 2 West, Glasgow, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

On August 14, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., the department will hold a public hearing at the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region 7 Office, 352 I-94 Business Loop, Miles City, Montana, to consider the proposed adoption of the above-stated rule.

4. The department will make reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities who wish to participate in this rulemaking process or need an alternative accessible format of this notice. If you require an accommodation, contact the department no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 8, 2014, to advise us of the nature of the accommodation that you need. Please contact Jessica Snyder, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, P.O. Box 200701, Helena, Montana, 59620-0701; telephone (406) 444-9785; fax (406) 444-7456; or e-mail jesssnyder@mt.gov.

5. Concerned persons may submit their data, views, or arguments concerning the proposed action either orally or in writing at the hearing. Written data, views, or arguments may also be submitted to: Wolf Stamp Comments, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Communication and Education Division, P.O. Box 200701, Helena, Montana, 59620-0701; fax (406) 444-4952; or e-mail fwpwld@mt.gov, and must be received no later than August 22, 2014. Persons who have already submitted comments with respect to MAR Notice No. 12-437 do not need to resubmit comments as the department will respond to those comments when taking final action on the proposed new rule.

6. Jessica Snyder, or another hearings officer appointed by the department, has been designated to preside over and conduct this hearing.

7. The department maintains a list of interested persons who wish to receive notice of rulemaking actions proposed by the department or commission. Persons who wish to have their name added to the list shall make written request that includes the name and mailing address of the person to receive the notice and specifies the subject or subjects about which the person wishes to receive notice. Such written request may be mailed or delivered to Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Legal Unit, P.O. Box 200701, 1420 East Sixth Avenue, Helena, MT 59620-0701, faxed to the office at (406) 444-7456, or may be made by completing the request form at any rules hearing held by the department.

8. An electronic copy of this notice of public hearing is available through the Secretary of State's web site at <http://sos.mt.gov/ARM/Register>. The Secretary of State strives to make the electronic copy of the notice conform to the official version of the notice, as printed in the Montana Administrative Register, but advises all concerned persons that in the event of a discrepancy between the official printed text of the notice and the electronic version of the notice, only the official printed text will be considered. In addition, although the Secretary of State works to keep its web site accessible at all times, concerned persons should be aware that the web site may be unavailable during some periods, due to system maintenance or technical problems.

/s/ M. Jeff Hagener

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Director

Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks

/s/ Rebecca Dockter

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Rule Reviewer

Certified to the Secretary of State July 14, 2014.